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Report Highlights:

This is an UNOFFICIAL translation of the People's Republic of China DRAFT Standard for M1 Aflatoxin in Milk and Milk Products and should be used as a guide only. Exporters should carefully discuss regulations and their application with Chinese importers to ensure that thier interpretation is accurate.

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Introduction

The People's Republic of China Ministry of Health (MOH) published DRAFT versions of several National Standards in August 2002 on the MOH website (www.moh.gov.cn). This document is an UNOFFICIAL translation of a National Standard that appeared on that website.

The MOH has not published a final version to this DRAFT therefore, the previous standard is still valid. National Standards that are abbreviated 'GB' and issued by MOH are compulsory standards that both China's domestic goods and goods imported into China must satisfy. MOH standards abbreviated 'GB/T' are voluntary.

At this time, U.S. industry and government officials are invited to offer comments on the DRAFTED National Standard. Questions and comments can be submitted to the USDA FAS International Trade Policy Office of Food Safety and Technical Services by fax (202-690-0677) or by email (ofsts@fas.usda.gov). Questions can also be provided to the U.S. Embassy Office of Agricultural Affairs by fax (86-10-6532-2962) or by email (AgBeijing@fas.usda.gov).

Once finalized, this Standard will replace GB 9676-88 Maximum Levels of Aflatoxin M1 in Milk and Milk Products.

Items noted in the DRAFT for Maximum Levels of Aflatoxin in Milk and Milk Products Comparing this Standard with GB9676-88, the main modifications are as follows:

- The Standard language is modified according to GB/T1.1-2000
- The scope of application is modified to include milk from dairy cattle, goats, horses, and other ruminant animals.

GB 9676-XXXX Maximum Levels of Aflatoxin M1 in Milk and Milk Products

1. Scope.

This standard specifies the Maximum Levels of Aflatoxin M1 in Milk and Milk Products. This standard applies to milk (including milk from cows, sheep, horses or other ruminant animals) and milk products.

2. Documents Cited by this Standard

The clauses in the following documents that were cited by this Standard became clauses of this Standard. For cited documents with a date, all their subsequent modifications or revisions do not apply to this Standard. However, parties having reached an agreement based on cited standards with a date are encouraged to study whether the latest versions of the cited documents with a date are applicable. For cited documents without a date, the latest versions apply to this Standard.

GB/T 5009.24 Determination of Aflatoxin M1 in Milk and Milk Products

3. Technical requirement

The standard for the maximum levels of aflatoxin M1 in milk and milk products should be in compliance with Table 1.

Table 1 Standard of the maximum levels of aflatoxin M1 in milk and milk products

Items	Levels (MLs), : g/kg
Fresh milk Milk products	0.5 Conversion using the quantity of fresh milk.

4. Inspection method

Determined according to the method described in GB/T 5009.24.